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The House met pursuant to adjournment.  
Representative Joseph Lyons in the chair.  
Prayer by Pastor David Gaddini with the Fellowship of Faith Lutheran Church in McHenry, Illinois.  
Representative Graham led the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.  
By direction of the Speaker, a roll call was taken to ascertain the attendance of Members, as follows:  
115 present. (ROLL CALL 1)

By unanimous consent, Representatives Black, Collins and McKeon were excused from attendance.

### **TEMPORARY COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS**

Representative Schmitz replaced Representative Black in the Committee on Rules for April 25, 2005.  
Representative Saviano will replace Representative Black in the Committee on Rules for today only.

### **COMMITTEE ON RULES REFERRALS**

Representative Currie, Chairperson of the Committee on Rules, reported the following legislative measures and/or joint action motions have been assigned as follows:

Aging: SENATE BILLS 159 and 1665.  
Agriculture & Conservation: SENATE BILLS 123, 413, 1726 and 1962.  
Consumer Protection: SENATE BILLS 501 and 1739.  
Elementary & Secondary Education: SENATE BILLS 10, 162, 574, 575, 767, 768, 1931 and 1972.  
Environment & Energy: SENATE BILLS 250, 1787 and 2040.  
Executive: SENATE BILLS 16, 245, 272, 316, 320, 429, 530, 558, 565, 569, 581, 610, 612, 661, 662, 676, 716, 766, 840, 850, 853, 1208, 1435, 1445, 1449, 1505, 1623, 1624, 1647, 1661, 1676, 1682, 1683, 1684, 1693, 1712, 1714, 1715, 1727, 1753, 1825, 1842, 1843, 1874, 1883, 1909, 1911, 1914 and 1964.  
Human Services: SENATE BILLS 568, 1461 and 1986.  
International Trade & Commerce: SENATE BILLS 323 and 1723.  
Judiciary I - Civil Law: SENATE BILLS 764, 1893, 1907 and 1915.  
Judiciary II - Criminal Law: SENATE BILLS 554, 1210, 1230, 1234, 1884 and 1943.  
Labor: SENATE BILL 1752.  
Local Government: SENATE BILLS 169, 299, 318, 613, 1443, 1444 and 1910.  
Personnel and Pensions: SENATE BILL 253.  
Registration and Regulation: SENATE BILLS 1821 and 2012.  
Revenue: SENATE BILLS 556, 557, 1233, 1675 and 2053.  
State Government Administration: SENATE BILLS 248, 1296, 1770, 1771 and 2043.  
Transportation and Motor Vehicles: SENATE BILLS 193, 229, 301, 302 and 1235.  
Developmental Disabilities and Mental Illness: SENATE BILL 1983.  
Elementary & Secondary Education: SENATE BILLS 1465 and 1638.  
Executive: SENATE BILLS 500, 564, 599, 1494, 1503 and 2054.  
Housing and Urban Development: SENATE BILL 966.  
Human Services: SENATE BILLS 1466 and 1680.  
Judiciary I - Civil Law: SENATE BILLS 658 and 1681.  
Judiciary II - Criminal Law: SENATE BILLS 1495, 1509, 1669 and 1670.  
Local Government: SENATE BILL 834.  
State Government Administration: SENATE BILLS 780, 1120 and 1654.

### **REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES**

Representative Yarbrough, Chairperson, from the Committee on Housing and Urban Development to which the following were referred, action taken on April 26, 2005, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported "do pass" and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: SENATE BILL 75.

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bill 75 is as follows:  
10, Yeas; 3, Nays; 2, Answering Present.

Y Yarbrough, Karen(D), Chairperson	P Bassi, Suzanne(R)
N Biggins, Bob(R)	Y Froehlich, Paul(R)
Y Graham, Deborah(D)	Y Hamos, Julie(D)
Y Kelly, Robin(D) (Dunkin)	N Leitch, David(R), Republican Spokesperson
Y McKeon, Larry(D), Vice-Chairperson(Rita)	Y Nekritz, Elaine(D)
Y Patterson, Milton(D)	Y Pihos, Sandra(R)
A Poe, Raymond(R)	P Ryg, Kathleen(D)
N Schmitz, Timothy(R)	Y Younge, Wyvetter(D)

Representative Colvin, Chairperson, from the Committee on Consumer Protection to which the following were referred, action taken on April 26, 2005, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported "do pass" and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: SENATE BILL 526 and 1892.

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bill 526 is as follows:  
11, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Colvin, Marlow(D), Chairperson	Y Gordon, Careen(D), Vice-Chairperson
Y Bost, Mike(R)	Y Brady, Dan(R), Republican Spokesperson
Y Chapa LaVia, Linda(D)	Y Mendoza, Susana(D)
Y Millner, John(R)	Y Parke, Terry(R)
Y Rita, Robert(D)	Y Scully, George(D)
A Tenhouse, Art(R)	Y Tryon, Michael(R) (Lindner)
A Washington, Eddie(D)	

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bill 1892 is as follows:  
11, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Colvin, Marlow(D), Chairperson	Y Gordon, Careen(D), Vice-Chairperson
Y Bost, Mike(R)	Y Brady, Dan(R), Republican Spokesperson
Y Chapa LaVia, Linda(D)	Y Mendoza, Susana(D)
Y Millner, John(R)	Y Parke, Terry(R)
Y Rita, Robert(D)	Y Scully, George(D)
A Tenhouse, Art(R)	Y Tryon, Michael(R)
A Washington, Eddie(D)	

Representative Boland, Chairperson, from the Committee on Financial Institutions to which the following were referred, action taken on April 26, 2005, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported "do pass" and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: SENATE BILL 173.

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bill 173 is as follows:  
26, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Boland, Mike(D), Chairperson	Y Acevedo, Edward(D)
Y Bellock, Patricia(R)	Y Bradley, Richard(D)
Y Brauer, Rich(R)	Y Burke, Daniel(D), Vice-Chairperson
Y Coulson, Elizabeth(R)	Y Cultra, Shane(R)
Y Davis, Monique(D)	Y Dunkin, Kenneth(D)
Y Dunn, Joe(R)	Y Fritchey, John(D)
Y Giles, Calvin(D)	Y Holbrook, Thomas(D)
Y Hultgren, Randall(R)	Y Jenisch, Roger(R)

A Jones,Lovana(D)  
 Y Mautino, Frank(D)  
 Y McCarthy, Kevin(D)  
 Y Munson, Ruth(R)  
 Y Reis, David(R)  
 Y Rose, Chapin(R)  
 A Smith, Michael(D)

Y Lyons, Joseph(D)  
 Y McAuliffe, Michael(R)  
 Y Mitchell, Bill(R), Republican Spokesperson  
 A Osterman, Harry(D)  
 Y Reitz, Dan(D)  
 A Schock, Aaron(R)  
 Y Watson, Jim(R)

Representative Flowers, Chairperson, from the Committee on Health Care Availability and Access to which the following were referred, action taken on April 26, 2005, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported "do pass" and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: SENATE BILL 12.

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bill 12 is as follows:

9, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Flowers, Mary(D), Chairperson  
 Y Chavez, Michelle(D)  
 Y Howard, Constance(D)  
 A Mathias, Sidney(R)  
 Y Mulligan, Rosemary(R)  
 Y Sommer, Keith(R)

A Bailey, Patricia(D), Vice-Chairperson  
 Y Dugan, Lisa(D)  
 Y Krause, Carolyn(R)  
 Y May, Karen(D)  
 Y Osmond, JoAnn(R), Republican Spokesperson

Representative Jefferson, Chairperson, from the Committee on Elections & Campaign Reform to which the following were referred, action taken on April 26, 2005, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported "do pass" and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: SENATE BILL 1637.

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bill 1637 is as follows:

5, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Jefferson, Charles(D), Chairperson  
 Y Beiser, Daniel(D)  
 Y Myers, Richard(R)  
 A Winters, Dave(R), Republican Spokesperson

Y D'Amico, John(D), Vice-Chairperson  
 Y Flider, Robert(D)  
 A Wait, Ronald(R)

Representative Granberg, Chairperson, from the Committee on Agriculture & Conservation to which the following were referred, action taken on April 26, 2005, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported "do pass" and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: SENATE BILLS 214, 2103 and 2104.

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bill 2103 is as follows:

12, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Granberg, Kurt(D), Chairperson  
 Y Cultra, Shane(R)  
 Y Flider, Robert(D)  
 Y Moffitt, Donald(R), Republican Spokesperson  
 Y Phelps, Brandon(D), Vice-Chairperson  
 Y Reis, David(R)  
 Y Sacia, Jim(R)  
 Y Verschoore, Patrick(D)

Y Boland, Mike(D)  
 Y Dugan, Lisa(D)  
 A McGuire, Jack(D)  
 Y Myers, Richard(R)  
 Y Pritchard, Robert(R)  
 A Reitz, Dan(D)  
 A Sommer, Keith(R)

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bills 214 and 2104 is as follows:

13, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Granberg,Kurt(D), Chairperson	Y Boland,Mike(D)
Y Cultra,Shane(R)	Y Dugan,Lisa(D)
Y Flider,Robert(D)	A McGuire,Jack(D)
Y Moffitt,Donald(R), Republican Spokesperson	Y Myers,Richard(R)
Y Phelps,Brandon(D), Vice-Chairperson	Y Pritchard,Robert(R)
Y Reis,David(R)	Y Reitz,Dan(D)
Y Sacia,Jim(R)	A Sommer,Keith(R)
Y Verschoore,Patrick(D)	

Representative Mautino, Chairperson, from the Committee on Insurance to which the following were referred, action taken on April 26, 2005, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported "do pass" and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: SENATE BILL 521.

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bill 521 is as follows:

16, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Mautino, Frank(D), Chairperson	Y Berrios, Maria(D)
Y Bradley, Richard(D)	Y Brady, Dan(R)
Y Colvin, Marlow(D)	Y Dunkin, Kenneth(D)
A Dunn, Joe(R)	Y Feigenholtz, Sara(D) (Osterman)
Y Jenisch, Roger(R)	Y Lang, Lou(D)
Y Mitchell, Bill(R)	Y Munson, Ruth(R)
Y Osmond, JoAnn(R)	Y Parke, Terry(R), Republican Spokesperson
Y Rita, Robert(D)	Y Rose, Chapin(R)
Y Yarbrough, Karen(D), Vice-Chairperson	

Representative Feigenholtz, Chairperson, from the Committee on Adoption Reform to which the following were referred, action taken on April 26, 2005, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported "do pass" and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: SENATE BILLS 511, 1458 and 1469.

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bills 511, 1458 and 1469 is as follows:

6, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Feigenholtz, Sara(D), Chairperson	Y Chapa LaVia, Linda(D)
Y Jakobsson, Naomi(D)	A Lang, Lou(D)
Y Lindner, Patricia(R), Republican Spokesperson	Y Mathias, Sidney(R)
Y Sommer, Keith(R)	

Representative Hoffman, Chairperson, from the Committee on Transportation and Motor Vehicles to which the following were referred, action taken on April 26, 2005, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported "do pass" and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: SENATE BILLS 54, 459, 509 and 1649.

That the bill be reported "do pass as amended" and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: SENATE BILL 127.

That the bill be reported "do pass" and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Standard Debate: SENATE BILL 210.

That the resolution be reported "recommends be adopted" and be placed on the House Calendar: HOUSE RESOLUTION 175.

The committee roll call vote on House Resolution 175 and Senate Bill 1649 is as follows:

23, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Hoffman,Jay(D), Chairperson	Y Beiser,Daniel(D)
Y Black,William(R) (Watson)	Y Bost,Mike(R)
Y Brauer,Rich(R)	A Brosnahan,James(D)
Y D'Amico,John(D)	A Fritchey,John(D)
Y Froehlich,Paul(R)	Y Graham,Deborah(D)
Y Joyce,Kevin(D)	Y Lyons,Joseph(D)
Y Mathias,Sidney(R)	Y McAuliffe,Michael(R)
Y McCarthy,Kevin(D)	Y Mendoza,Susana(D)
Y Miller,David(D), Vice-Chairperson	Y Millner,John(R)
Y Molaro,Robert(D)	Y Nekritz,Elaine(D)
Y Poe,Raymond(R)	Y Soto,Cynthia(D)
A Stephens,Ron(R)	Y Tenhouse,Art(R)
Y Tryon,Michael(R)	Y Wait,Ronald(R), Republican Spokesperson
A Washington,Eddie(D)	

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bills 54, 127 and 459 is as follows:  
21, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Hoffman,Jay(D), Chairperson	Y Beiser,Daniel(D)
Y Black,William(R) (Watson)	Y Bost,Mike(R)
Y Brauer,Rich(R)	A Brosnahan,James(D)
Y D'Amico,John(D)	A Fritchey,John(D)
Y Froehlich,Paul(R)	Y Graham,Deborah(D)
Y Joyce,Kevin(D)	Y Lyons,Joseph(D)
Y Mathias,Sidney(R)	Y McAuliffe,Michael(R)
Y McCarthy,Kevin(D)	Y Mendoza,Susana(D)
Y Miller,David(D), Vice-Chairperson	Y Millner,John(R)
A Molaro,Robert(D)	Y Nekritz,Elaine(D)
Y Poe,Raymond(R)	Y Soto,Cynthia(D)
A Stephens,Ron(R)	Y Tenhouse,Art(R)
Y Tryon,Michael(R)	A Wait,Ronald(R), Republican Spokesperson
A Washington,Eddie(D)	

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bill 210 is as follows:  
15, Yeas; 1, Nays; 1, Answering Present.

A Hoffman,Jay(D), Chairperson	Y Beiser,Daniel(D)
P Black,William(R) (Watson)	N Bost,Mike(R)
A Brauer,Rich(R)	A Brosnahan,James(D)
Y D'Amico,John(D)	Y Fritchey,John(D)
Y Froehlich,Paul(R)	Y Graham,Deborah(D)
Y Joyce,Kevin(D)	Y Lyons,Joseph(D)
Y Mathias,Sidney(R)	Y McAuliffe,Michael(R)
Y McCarthy,Kevin(D)	Y Mendoza,Susana(D)
Y Miller,David(D), Vice-Chairperson	Y Millner,John(R)
A Molaro,Robert(D)	Y Nekritz,Elaine(D)
A Poe,Raymond(R)	Y Soto,Cynthia(D)
A Stephens,Ron(R)	A Tenhouse,Art(R)
A Tryon,Michael(R)	A Wait,Ronald(R), Republican Spokesperson
A Washington,Eddie(D)	

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bill 509 is as follows:  
24, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Hoffman,Jay(D), Chairperson	Y Beiser,Daniel(D)
Y Black,William(R) (Watson)	Y Bost,Mike(R)



Y Brauer, Rich(R)	A Brosnahan, James(D)
Y D'Amico, John(D)	Y Fritchey, John(D)
Y Froehlich, Paul(R)	Y Graham, Deborah(D)
Y Joyce, Kevin(D)	Y Lyons, Joseph(D)
Y Mathias, Sidney(R)	Y McAuliffe, Michael(R)
Y McCarthy, Kevin(D)	Y Mendoza, Susana(D)
Y Miller, David(D), Vice-Chairperson	Y Millner, John(R)
Y Molaro, Robert(D)	Y Nekritz, Elaine(D)
Y Poe, Raymond(R)	Y Soto, Cynthia(D)
A Stephens, Ron(R)	Y Tenhouse, Art(R)
Y Tryon, Michael(R)	Y Wait, Ronald(R), Republican Spokesperson
A Washington, Eddie(D)	

### SENATE BILLS ON FIRST READING

Having been printed, the following bills were taken up, read by title a first time and placed in the Committee on Rules: SENATE BILLS 58, 193, 229, 564, 599, 853, 1230, 1466, 1494, 1907, 1915 and 2054.

### AGREED RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions were offered and placed on the Calendar on the order of Agreed Resolutions.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 344

Offered by Representative Howard:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives congratulate Joan and Earl Sanders on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary; and

WHEREAS, A celebration will be held at the Idlewild Country Club in Flossmoor on April 23, 2005; and

WHEREAS, Marriage is a sacred bond of love, trust, mutual respect, and partnership; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Sanders entered into the bonds of holy matrimony on April 24, 1955 at the Cosmopolitan Community Church in Chicago; and

WHEREAS, They have lived in Chicago all their lives; Joan is a retired school teacher who taught at Mollison Elementary School and Earl is a retired principal of Powell Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, They consider their greatest accomplishments to be their children; they are the loving parents of Holly and Jan and the proud grandparents of Kelly, Colin, Aaron, Cheyney, and Quinlan; and

WHEREAS, Joan and Earl Sanders have experienced fifty years filled with love, perpetual friendship, confidence, and integrity; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we are proud and honored to congratulate Joan and Earl Sanders upon the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary on April 24, 2005, and wish them many more years of wedded bliss and family enjoyment; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Joan and Earl Sanders as an expression of our admiration and esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 345

Offered by Representatives May, Nekritz, Ryg and Hamos:

WHEREAS, Northern Suburban Special Education District (NSSSED) Superintendent Dave Peterson is retiring at the conclusion of the 2004-2005 school year; and

WHEREAS, NSSSED serves 20 school districts with a combined population of 40,000 students in the north shore suburbs of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Peterson was hired by NSSD in 1989 as Director of Support Services, and he has been Superintendent of NSSD since 1994; he has held several other administrative positions in Illinois school districts and joint agreements; and

WHEREAS, He has a bachelor of science degree in psychology and a master of science degree in school psychology from Western Illinois University; he has also taken advanced coursework in educational psychology from Northern Illinois University and education leadership from Loyola University; and

WHEREAS, During his career, Mr. Peterson has made numerous presentations at state and national conferences and has published several journal articles and book chapters; and

WHEREAS, He has conducted numerous training workshops, served as a member of various committees for the Illinois State Board of Education and has served as a consultant or conducted staff development programs in Illinois, Florida, Iowa, Ohio, Montana, and New York, among others; and

WHEREAS, He is past-President of the Illinois Alliance of Administrators of Special Education, and he currently serves as President of the IASA North Cook Region Superintendents; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Peterson leaves a legacy of dedication and success in providing stable learning environments to the district's special needs children; the NSSD has become a model for every Special Education District across the country; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Peterson's positive vision and persistent advocacy to help all students achieve their potential will leave its mark all the way from the classroom to the United States Congress; and

WHEREAS, The new UCP Chicago's Infinitec North Assistive Technology Coalition and Training Center and the Early Childhood Center for Innovative Learning is a tribute to his vision and management abilities; and

WHEREAS, He will be remembered by his staff and peers as having a wonderful way of working with people; he brought strength and grace to his leadership which brought out the best in everyone; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate and thank Dave Peterson for his tenure as Superintendent of the Northern Suburban Special Education District; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Superintendent Peterson as an expression of our respect and esteem and with our best wishes for his retirement and future endeavors.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 346

Offered by Representative Stephens:

WHEREAS, The City of Trenton will celebrate the 150th anniversary of its founding on May 14, 2005; and

WHEREAS, William Lewis and his brother-in-law, A.W. Casad of Trenton, New Jersey, first arrived in the area in 1818, and Mr. Lewis located his farm where the present City of Trenton stands today; in 1825, First Methodist Church, the first church congregation, was formed, followed by St. Johns Evangelical, and then St. Mary's Catholic Church; and

WHEREAS, A Mr. Buckman established the first post office in 1853, calling it Trenton, and the city was established on May 14, 1855, by Alva Lewis; Trenton was chartered as a village on February 16, 1856, with Joseph Hanke serving as the first mayor; Trenton Coal served as the main employment in the town until 1909; and

WHEREAS, Trenton was incorporated as a city on September 20, 1887; the first newspaper, the Trenton Gazette/Sun, was established in 1880 and is still in operation today; and

WHEREAS, The city celebrated its 100 year anniversary in 1955; at that time, the population was 1,400 and Trenton gained the nickname "Friendly City"; in 1990, the city adopted the slogan "A Growing Place - A Place to Grow"; and

WHEREAS, On June 22, 1993, because the city's zip code is 62293, Trenton celebrated "Zip Code Day"; in 2003, Trenton received the Governor's Hometown Award; and

WHEREAS, Trenton's population today is 2,700 and continues to grow; the present mayor of Trenton is Robert Louis Koentz; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate the City of Trenton on the occasion of its 150th anniversary; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the City of Trenton as an expression of our respect and esteem and with best wishes for many prosperous years in the future.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 347

Offered by Representative Osterman:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representative of the State of Illinois are pleased to honor St. Augustine College on the occasion of its annual El Puente Awards Gala that will occur on Friday, May 20, 2005; and

WHEREAS, The college was created under the auspices of the Episcopal Diocese and authorized by the Illinois Board of Higher Education on October 7, 1980; and

WHEREAS, The mission of St. Augustine College is to make the United States system of higher education accessible to a diverse student population with emphasis on those of Hispanic descent, to strengthen ethnic identity, to reinforce cultural interaction, and to build a bridge to fill cultural, educational, and socio-economic gaps; and

WHEREAS, St. Augustine College provides pre-collegiate and collegiate learning opportunities to more than 2,000 students and also provides a safe, enriched environment for the more than 300 children in the College's Head Start and child development programs; and

WHEREAS, The institution offers an academically challenging yet supportive environment to its very diverse student population; it acts as a bridge to better employment, education, and full participation in the life of the community; and

WHEREAS, St. Augustine College provides an opportunity for higher education to Hispanic Americans and to all Americans who are willing to develop their potential and to acquire the command of a second language; St. Augustine has been the Midwest's only bilingual college; and

WHEREAS, The Governing Board of St. Augustine College established the El Puente Awards to recognize individuals and organizations for their outstanding commitment to education and support of the Hispanic community; all proceeds from the Awards Dinner go toward the St. Augustine College Scholarship Fund created to support promising students with financial need; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we honor St. Augustine College at the El Puente Silver Anniversary Awards Gala for the significant educational opportunities it provides to Hispanic Americans and its student body; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to St. Augustine College as an expression of our esteem.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 348

Offered by Representative Osterman:

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois wish to congratulate True Nature Foods on the occasion of the celebration of the expansion of its store; and

WHEREAS, Since 1984, True Nature Foods store has been providing the Edgewater community with healthful and organic foods; and

WHEREAS, Owner Paula Companio continues to work towards True Nature Foods store becoming a LEED building (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design), the most environmentally sound building designation in the country; and

WHEREAS, More than 300 local families contribute to the organic co-ops, which deliver food to the store; the co-ops include Kings Hill Farm, Wisconsin; Green Meadows Farm, Michigan; and Family Farms, Indiana; and

WHEREAS, True Nature Foods will rent out the space behind its store to the Chamber Board in order to build a concrete pad; the pad will store recycled corrugated cardboard discarded by local businesses and neighbors in an effort to increase recycling and reduce landfill use; and

WHEREAS, The expansion of True Nature Foods store will allow it to become a full service natural food store and will allow its food vendors to expand what they currently offer in addition to offering more

Edgewater residents the chance to eat healthy; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate True Nature Foods on the occasion of the celebration of the expansion of its store, and we wish the store's owner and staff many more successful and rewarding years in business; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to True Nature Foods.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 349

Offered by Representatives D'Amico, McAuliffe and Nekritz:

WHEREAS, Officer Steven Zourkas, a five-year veteran of the Niles Police Department, died April 8, 2005, in the line of duty while responding to a call; and

WHEREAS, He was born July 18, 1971, and joined the Niles Police Department on May 7, 2001; he was well-liked and respected by his fellow employees and his peers, and he was a hard worker who was dedicated to the police department and the work it entailed; and

WHEREAS, His many accolades during his career with the Niles Police Department include a Distinguished Duty Award presented on April 23, 2002, for administering CPR to a Niles resident; he was the first responder to the scene and found the victim in cardiac arrest; and

WHEREAS, In 2003 and 2004, Officer Zourkas received recognition from the Alliance Against Intoxicated Motorists for being a lead officer in the number of DUI's written in the Village of Niles; and

WHEREAS, On March 22, 2005, he received a Department Commendation for an arrest he made while on patrol; he observed a suspicious vehicle parked near two tow trucks; the offender had just robbed the trucks and was responsible for another burglary being investigated by another police department; and

WHEREAS, Along with being trained in Breath Alcohol Testing and Unified Statewide Anti-Terrorism, Officer Zourkas was an evidence technician with the Niles Police Department and a forensic specialist with the North Regional Major Crimes Task Force; and

WHEREAS, He was a highly regarded police officer; in addition to these highlights, there are many letters and memos from citizens and commanding officers praising his thoroughness, kindness, and good work; and

WHEREAS, Officer Zourkas always had a smile and was proud of his family and his job; the people who knew him, especially his friends and fellow officers on the midnight shift, will miss him; and

WHEREAS, He is survived by his wife, Ivy, and sons, John and Andrew; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we express our deepest regret at the passing of Niles police officer Steven Zourkas and extend to his family, friends, and the Niles Police Department our most sincere condolences; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to his family as an expression of our utmost sympathy.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 350

Offered by Representative Myers:

WHEREAS, Dr. Larry Mortier, Vice President for Advancement and Public Services at Western Illinois University, is retiring on August 1, 2005, by which time he will have completed 34 years in higher education, including 28 years at WIU; and

WHEREAS, He has served as executive director for the WIU Foundation since 1987 and was named vice president for advancement and public services in 1994; he provides administrative leadership for Western's development office, alumni programs, university relations, visual production center, scholarship office, marketing communications, and intercollegiate athletics; and

WHEREAS, He served as the University's chief development officer during the Centennial Campaign For Western (1995-2000) which generated \$24.8 million in private gift support; private contributions to the Foundation in support of the University's programs and services totaled \$6.2 million in fiscal year 2003-04, and the assets of the Foundation have more than doubled during his tenure as vice president, currently

exceeding \$20.2 million; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Mortier has been instrumental in the University and community's relationship with the National Football League's St. Louis Rams, who have held summer training camp at WIU for nine years; he has been Western's representative to the Macomb Area Economic Development Corporation (MAEDCO) since 1994 and currently serves as MAEDCO's vice president; and

WHEREAS, His 11-year tenure as vice president included the expansion of WIU Alumni Association programming and services, the growth of the WIU Foundation's scholarship program, the development of the University's official web site, the Visual Production Center transition of photographic services to digital format and enhanced large format display capability, and a year-long Centennial Celebration; he established the University's first governmental relations office and led the adoption of a formal integrated marketing approach to University communications; and

WHEREAS, Western athletics programs won five Mid-Continent Conference Commissioners Cups for overall program excellence, including 24 team championships, during Dr. Mortier's administration; the football program won five Gateway Conference titles and made six NCAA Division IAA National Playoff appearances; he has strongly supported the institution's commitment to gender equity in athletics, which included the addition of women's soccer and golf; and

WHEREAS, Before being named vice president, he served as director of development at Western from 1986 to 1994 and as associate director of admissions for community college relations from 1983 to 1984; he was a member of Western's football coaching staff as assistant head coach from 1979 to 1983; and

WHEREAS, He earned his bachelor's and master's degrees in education at Western in 1970 and 1971 and his doctorate in educational administration from Southern Illinois University in 1995; and

WHEREAS, His wife Sandy earned her bachelor's and master's degree at Western; she has been a teacher at St. Paul's Grade School for more than 25 years; the Mortiers have a daughter, Nicole, who is a physician assistant at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee, and a son, Joe, who is a teacher and coach at El Dorado High School in Las Vegas, Nevada; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Dr. Larry Mortier on the occasion of his retirement and we thank him for his dedication and commitment to higher education and his outstanding leadership at Western Illinois University; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to him as an expression of our respect and esteem.

#### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 51

Offered by Representative John Bradley:

WHEREAS, The members of the General Assembly of the State of Illinois were deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Mildred Yvonne Fitzgerald, widow of State Representative Wayne Fitzgerald, on April 19, 2005 in Sesser; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Fitzgerald was born September 1, 1913, in Sesser, to Howard Burgess Young and Daisy Violetetti Bartlow Young Tackitt; she graduated from Goode-Barren Township High School; and

WHEREAS, She married Wayne Fitzgerald on March 4, 1942, in St. Louis; after his untimely death on May 11, 1965, the Wayne Fitzgerald State Park was named in his memory; she retired from the U.S. Postal Service in 1973 after 38 years of service; and

WHEREAS, She was a very community-minded person who was always willing to help; she truly believed in education and wanted to see the young people of the community have a chance to further their education; and

WHEREAS, She served as Worthy Matron of the Mary V Chapter of Eastern Star; she was a member and president of the Sesser Woman's Club; she was a member of the Illinois Women's Federation Club, the American Legion Auxiliary, the Sesser Senior Citizens, the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Rend Lake Foundation Board where she established an endowment fund to provide an annual scholarship in honor of her late husband, and the Goode-Barren Historical Society; she was a member and Sunday school teacher at First United Methodist Church of Sesser; she was instrumental in compiling and publishing the 1976 Bicentennial history of Sesser and renovating the Sesser Historic Opera House; she received the Golden Deeds Award from the Sesser Area Chamber of Commerce in 1984; she received the Presidential Award from the Rend Lake Foundation Board; she donated a bicycle to the St. Jude

Bike-a-thon each year; and she worked diligently with the fund-raising for the remodeling of the Goode Township Community Building; and

WHEREAS, The passing of Mildred Yvonne Fitzgerald is felt by all who knew and loved her, especially her step-nephews, Steve and Patty Young, Mike and Vergie Young, and Dennis and Paige Young; her sister-in-law, Helen Young; her aunt, Mary Bartlow; her cousins, Herb Sr. and Billie Winemiller, Herb Jr. and Gwen Winemiller and daughters, Tiffany Winemiller and Misti Winemiller; her sister-in-law, Josephine Fitzgerald Jenkins; her nephew, Richard Fitzgerald, son of William Fitzgerald; and her special caretakers, Margaret Goessman and Verna Queen; and

WHEREAS, She was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, and her stepbrother, Roy Odle Young; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that even as her death is mourned, we give thanks for the blessing of Mildred Yvonne Fitzgerald's life and extend our sincere and heartfelt condolences to her family, friends, and community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to her family as an expression of our deepest sympathy.

HOUSE RESOLUTIONS 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350 and HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 51 were taken up for consideration.

Representative Currie moved the adoption of the agreed resolutions.

The motion prevailed and the Agreed Resolutions were adopted.

At the hour of 12:50 o'clock p.m., Representative Currie moved that the House do now adjourn.

The motion prevailed.

And in accordance therewith and pursuant to HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 50, the House stood adjourned until Thursday, April 28, 2005, at 1:00 o'clock p.m.

STATE OF ILLINOIS  
NINETY-FOURTH  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
HOUSE ROLL CALL  
QUORUM ROLL CALL FOR ATTENDANCE

April 27, 2005

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115 PRESENT

P Acevedo	P Delgado	P Lang	P Poe
P Bailey	P Dugan	P Leitch	P Pritchard
P Bassi	P Dunkin	P Lindner	P Reis
P Beaubien	P Dunn	P Lyons, Eileen	P Reitz
P Beiser	P Eddy	P Lyons, Joseph	P Rita
P Bellock	P Feigenholtz	P Mathias	P Rose
P Berrios	P Flider	P Mautino	P Ryg
P Biggins	P Flowers	P May	P Sacia
E Black	P Franks	P McAuliffe	P Saviano
P Boland	P Fritchey	P McCarthy	P Schmitz
P Bost	P Froehlich	P McGuire	P Schock
P Bradley, John	P Giles	E McKeon	P Scully
P Bradley, Richard	P Gordon	P Mendoza	P Smith
P Brady	P Graham	P Meyer	P Sommer
P Brauer	P Granberg	P Miller	P Soto
P Brosnahan	P Hamos	P Millner	P Stephens
P Burke	P Hannig	P Mitchell, Bill	P Sullivan
P Chapa LaVia	P Hassert	P Mitchell, Jerry	P Tenhouse
P Chavez	P Hoffman	P Moffitt	P Tryon
P Churchill	P Holbrook	P Molaro	P Turner
E Collins	P Howard	P Mulligan	P Verschoore
P Colvin	P Hultgren	P Munson	P Wait
P Coulson	P Jakobsson	P Myers	P Washington
P Cross	P Jefferson	P Nekritz	P Watson
P Cultra	P Jenisch	P Osmond	P Winters
P Currie	P Jones	P Osterman	P Yarbrough
P D'Amico	P Joyce	P Parke	P Younge
P Daniels	P Kelly	P Patterson	P Mr. Speaker
P Davis, Monique	P Kosel	P Phelps	
P Davis, William	P Krause	P Pihos	

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